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GERMAN RULERS DECIDED ON WAR LONG IN ADVANCE

Notified Propaganda Corps July 10, 1914, of Conflict's Coming.

FOE SERVED BY THOUSANDS OF PRO-GERMANS IN AMERICA

More Than 200,000 Willing Tools of Autocracy Volunteered in This Country.

HEARST WRITER IN HUN PAY

Had No Knowledge That Publisher Knew o' This Fact.

Senate committee investi-

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"I obtained from Fox his original notes written in lead pencil on the Cossack story." Captain Lester said, "and he admitted he never saw any of the atrocitles referred to and that to his knowledge none of them ever were committed. Fox was given courtesies from German officers that no other correspondent was able to obtain."

BOSTON. December 12.—Experiments should be canceled. The government should be canceled. The should

FILM BORE EARMARKS
OF GERMAN PROPAGANDA

Captain Lester said that as a result of a request to President Wilson for a personal interview by William Randolph Hearst, changes were made in the film play "Patria," produced serially in the United States early in 1917, picturing Japan and Mexico in an alliance against the United States. The witness cited this film as one bearing earmarks of German propaganda.

Fox. Captain Lester testified, was sent to Germany in 1915 by the German embassy ostensibly as a correspondent of the Wildman Newspaper and Magazine Syndicate, and also was employed by the Correspondent's Film Company, which the witness said was insanced by the German government. The managers of the Wildman Syndicate did not know of Fox's connections with the German embassy, so far as Captain Lester knew.

He said Fox was attached to the Hearst headquarters in Germany, and in proof presented a letter from Bradford Merrill, publisher of the New York American, written June 29, 1916, to E. Norgrove, who was in charge of the transmission service of the Hearst or International News Service on the Continent, located at The Hague. This letter introduced Fox and asked that his dispatches from Germany be forwarded promptly.

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FOX'S ARTICLES WERE

Kaiser Finds Difficulty Sleeping During Night

AMERONGEN, HOLLAND (vin London), December I3.—Despite his hundleng of being limited in the use of his left hand, the former Kaiser every day is busily engaged chop-ping trees in the forest surrounding the Bentinek eastle while the police chase off curious events.

so much in these sollloquies that the whole Bentinck household has be-come bored and every one says they will be glad when he moves on. He retires in the evenings. His nights

ABANDON GONSTRUCTION ON GREAT BOILER PLAN

F. P. Palen Announces Cancellation of All Contracts for South Side Factory.

\$1,500,000 ALREADY EXPENDED

building Project Is Regretted, No Surprise Is Caused by Decision. Reimburse City for Improvements.

Seaboard Air Line tracks in South Richmond.

man propaganda which was distributed by the Hearst International News Service, was presented to the committee by Captain Lester.

In response to questions Captain Lester said there is nothing in the army intelligence records showing whether either Mr. Hearst or managers of the International News Service knew that Fox was in the pay of the German government.

The witness read a telegram sent from the German embassy in Washington to the German Foreign Office September 9, 1914, saying:

"Chicago Tribune friendly paper."

Cantain Lester said Fox confessed to him that while in Germany he had-an understanding that he would write anything he was told to write by the German publicity bureau at Berlin, He said he obtained from Fox an admission that an article appearing in the New York American on September 19, 1915, dealing with alleged atrocities by Russian Cossacks, was written by him under instructions from German officers as a means of offsetting the stories of German atrocities in Belgium that had begun to come at about that time.

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EAT THE INFLUENZA GERMS

Report of Public Health Service, How-ever Shows That They Were Not Affected Thereby.

By Associated Press. |
BOSTON. December 12.—Experiments undertaken by the Navy Department at the navy Public Health Service hospital on Gallup's Island to ascertain the cause and spread of influenza have had merely negative results, according to a report given out to-day. One hundred volunteers, who have been under observation for several weeks, have had influenza germs placed in their nostrils and throats and have eaten them with their food, and some have been inoculated with serums, but no cases of the disease serums, but no cases have developed thus far

ULASS IN WASHINGTON

Wirginian Holds Conference With MeAdoe Prior to Becoming Secretary of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—Carter
Glass spent to-day at the Treasury Department preparatory to assuming the
office of secretary on Monday.
Retiring Secretary McAdoo spent
much of the day with him, going over
many details with Mr. Glass. They
plan to spend to-morrow again discussing the work.
To-morrow will be the last business
day Mr. McAdoo will be Secretary of
the Treasury, but he plans, he said
to-day, to be present Monday morning
when Mr. Glass takes the oath of office.

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DOCTORS APPROVE CLOSING SCHOOLS MAY BE PERMANENT

trative Board to Prevent Spread of Influenza.

nett Oppose Drastic Step at This Time.

schools as a safeguard against further

24,000 school children are being out of school by influenza. Of number, probably one-eighth, he were affected: the others being were affected; the others being kept away either through fear or through the inhibition placed upon thomes affected by the disease eight teachers are also absent.

CONGRESSMAN MANN CITES CASE OF RICHMOND MAN

Tries to Wake Up War Risk Insurance Bureau So Wounded Men Can Get Pay. [By Associated Press.] WASHINGON, December 13.—Criti-

WASHINGON, December 13.—Criticism of delays of the War Risk Insurance Bureau in paying soldiers' allotments and of the War Department for failure to pay many soldiers returned from overseas for hospital treatment was voiced again to-day in the House.

Republican Leader Mann read a telegram from Richmond, Va., saying soldiers in 2 hospital there had received no pay from the War Department for five to eleven months.

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| COBLENZ GERMANY December 13. | COBLENZ GERMANY December 14.

Who Wrote "I'm the Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo" Passes Away. By Associated Press. t

Captain Lester said he had read and other policies in the hands of Mr. Glass.

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Recommend Course to Adminis- Bill Introduced for Federal Own ership of Telephone and Telegraph Systems.

MAY TAKE ACTION TO-DAY IS ADMINISTRATION MEASURE

Superintendent Hill and Dr. En- Aims to Make Lines of Communication Part of Nation's

Roads, introduced a joint resolution to

their observation for yesterday. They had been too busy to do so, they said, During the week 1,365 new cases and nine deaths had been reported. Only in three weeks during the height of the corner epidemic did the number, and this week has another day to go. I'p to the present time 14,745 cases have been reported since the last week in September. Since that time the malady has resulted in death to 730.

8,000 PUPILS BEING

KEPT AWAY FRON SCHOOLS

A report by weeks, as compiled for the academy by Commissioner Graham B. Hobsen, of the Administrative Board, follows:

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GERMAN TROOPS DESTROY

Situation in Exthonia Has Become Desperate, Says Dispatch Reach-ing London.

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(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, December 13.—An official dispatch received in London describes the situation of Esthonia as desperate. German troops have destroyed the railways and telegraphs between the Esthonian army and Reval, and, owing to the army's lack of arms and ammunition, the Bolsheviki are advancing.

The Bolshevik government has declared the Esthonian government outlawed, and the latter has appealed to the entente allies for a supply of arms and ammunition.

A dispatch from Helsingfors announces the arrival of 2 British squadron of cruisers, destroyers and submarines at Reval.

RICHMOND GIRL AT COBLENZ

Offer President Citizenship,
PARIS, December 13.—By an unanimous vote the municipal council of
Paris to-day decided to confer upon
President Wilson the title of a citizen
of Paris.



CONTROL OF WIRES AMERICA'S PRESIDENT GREETED BY THRONG

Revenue Bill Makes the Poor Pay While Profiteers Escape, Says Report

WASHINGTON, December 13 .-

To-morrow the Senate will begin work on the principal and controverted feaurtes, including the income, war excess profits, beverage, inheritance, insurance, luxury, child labor and postai tax sections.

Provisions approved to-day constituted practically all of those which are undisputed, and included the Finance Committee's revision downward of the tobacco, amusement admission, club dues, excise or semiluxury, apecial and stamp fax sections. The Senate also approved the committee's action in climinating taxes on gasoline, users of motor vehicles, mail order houses and many articles classed as semi-luxuries.

uries.

In view of the rapid progress made to-day, Chairman Simmons, in charge of the bill, expressed increased confidence for early passage of the measure in the belief that the Republicans will not cause

HYDROAIRPLANE CRASHES

grinds the poor. The war (n) 1917 was the initial step. pass this bill as reported, w I submit, write into our state

Republican, presented a minority report, recommending substitution of higher rates on income and war excess profits and sharply criticizing the committee draft.

"The principle that should guide us in framfing this bill," continued La Follette's report, "is that no man should be allowed to retain a dollar of profits made out of the war, when thousands of our people have been called upon to give everything, including their lives, for its prosecution, and millions must suffer great hardship on account of it, and generations must swent and toll

Ships and Forts Thunder Tremendous Salvos in His Honor. PARIS COMPLETES PLANS

OF INTERNATIONAL

JUSTICE AT BREST

FOR GREAT WELCOME Grand Gold Medal of City of Paris Will Be Presented to Executive.

Yankee Forces Now Awaiting Orders to Cross the Rhine Into ... German Territory.

Mrs. Wilson will be presented with a gold brooch, set in diamonds.

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A singular feature of the welcome to the President was the suppressed interest of the German prisoners at Brest. It was evident their interest in the visitor was as keen as that of the huge crowd thronging the town, but the authorities kept these Germans in the background.

Among those who lined the routs to the station were delegations of patriotic societies and other organizations and throngs of people from the neighboring localties attired in gala Breton costumes.

The first to greet the President, besides the French ministerial representatives, were Andre Tardieu, Ffench high commissioner to the United States; the Mayor of Brest, Ambassador Sharp, Colonel House, General Pershing and General Bliss.

BREST ACCLAIMS WILSON

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ARRIVAL CULMINATION
OF GREAT NAVAL SPECTACLE

New Order of War Department Gives Men Clothing Supplied by Government.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, December 13.—Secretary Baker informed Chairman Dent, of the House Military Affairs Committee, to-day that the War Department had decided that all discharged soldiers may permanently retain the uniform and overcoat they wear when mustered out. Mr. Dent prepared a bill embodying the necessary authority. Previously the department had planned to have the clothing returned to the government three months after a soldier's discharge.

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Call Randolph 1.

ARRIVAL CULMINATION OF GREAT NAVAL, SPECTACLE President was trival was the culmination of an imposing anval spactacle, which began as the presidential feet rounded the outer capes, then head of a long double column of American Dreadnoughts and destroyers and the units of a French cruiser squadron. The presidential feet was first sighted at 11:30 o'clock this morning. After the stately feet moved landward under skies which were steadily brightening after a dark and gloomy morning was more than an hour later that was more than an a pour later that was more than an hour later t

PREPARED TO HAND ENEM

Two Men Killed in Accident That American Chemical Society Makes
Completely Wrecks Flying Report Showing Progress Made Machine.

WIRELESS OPERATOR ESCAPES

Plane With Five on Board Left Baltimore Friday for a Test Run to Hampton Roads Naval Base and

RAILWAYS IN RUSSIA rection.
The escape of the other three men in the machine is considered little short of miraculous. Spectators who rushed to the scene expected to find all

STATEROOMS AND SALOONS ON THE FUTURE AIRSHIPS

Cinimed Commercial Ship Offers Great Advantale Over the Present Airplance.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, December 13 .- For the immediate future, according to further extracts from the report just completed by the civil aerial transport committee of the air board, the commercial airship offers a great advant-

inercial airship offers a great advantages over the airplane, particularly concerning passengers, where comfort and ease of navigation, safety and a high ratio of disposable lift are vital considerations.

Airships now eixst, the report says, with a range of more than 4,000 miles, and they can travel at a speed of seventy-eight miles an hour. By running their engines slower a maximum range of 8,000 miles can be obtained. On first speed, Cape Town, South Africa, is to-day aerially only a little more than three days from Southampton, while this ship could fly across the Atlantic and return without stopping. out stopping.
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The committee points out that the future airship will soon develop a speed of 100 miles an hour, that it will be fitted with ample saloons, staterooms, with an elevator to a roof garden and will be able ot remain in the air for over a week.

Settle Montreal Strike. IBy Associated Press. 1

MONTREAL, December 13.—The strike of policemen, fireinen and other city employees was settled to-night and the men returned to work. Special Notice to Officers and Members of Irish Organizations.

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Next Sunday's New York American will contain special cable news about the fight for self-determination for Ireland. Also full text of Cardinal O'Connell's Madison Square address on Irish freedom. Please notify newsdealers at once to be sure to order enough copies of next Sunday's American to take care of largely increased demands. All persons interested in Irish freedom will wish additional copies of Sunday's American on account of the great interest in the fight for self-determination for Ireland.—Adv.

INTO WILLOUGHBY CLUB 100 TONS OF GAS DAILY

in This Method of Warfare.

Many Vapors Previously Unknown to Germans Were Perfected, and Are Considered to Have Done Much to Force Foe to Quit.

di tittes cassed, he added, had reached 40,000 a day. The 1919 model, he said, showed a revolution in design, overcoming all discomforts of earlier patterns, and adding ten-fold efficiency. Colonel William H. Walker, commanding the Edgewood arsenal, said that "on November 11 we had all the facilities for producing mustard gas at the rate of 100 tons a day, to say nothing of our resources for deluging our enemies with chlorine, phospene chloropicrin and new vapors previously unknown to them."

He added that "there was never a day when the production of material did not exceed the ability to utilize it," and paid tribute to chemists who had braved the dangers of poison gas plants far from the glamor of the real battle fields, and who in some cases had made the supreme sacrifice.

JUDGE EMORY SPEER DIES IN GEORGIA

Man Who Served in Many Cases of National Importance Passes Away.

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MACON. G.A. December 13.—Judge Emory Speer, of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, died in a hospital here at 3 o'clock to-night.

Judge Speer underwent an operation last Wednesday for gall stones, which the surgeons announced as "serious."

He had been ill for three weeks, and his physicians had made preparations to take him to a Baltimore hospital for the operation. His condition became critical, however, and early this week it was decided to perform the operation in a local institution. A rally after the operation was followed by a sinking spell, and the condition of the prist had grown increasingly after the operation was followed by a sinking spell, and the condition of the prist had grown increasingly after many until the end came.

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